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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 16TH, 1907.

AFTER reading the whole page of yesterday's
issue devoted to the meeting of the Sanitary
Board, the average reader should still be
somewhat confused as to the real issues.
The Hon. Mr. Hewitt enunciated the
whole discussion of the "dumping" ques-
tion as indefinite, and it really was so.
There was a nebulousness about the
reforms talked of that was not becoming to
the very concrete nature of the evil sought
to be remedied. A few days ago we offered
a suggestion as to one of the most likely
causes of the Chinese practice of "dumping"
corpses on the street—poverty, and the
conventional extravagance of funerals. This
was not submitted as the only cause, but as
one not so far mentioned, and yet one at
least as probable as those suggested. The
REGISTRAR GENERAL referred to it briefly
by remarking that the statistics now before
the members of the Board gave no support
to the theory that poverty is the cause of
"dumping", unless, he qualified, "you are
prepared to argue that poverty has increased
greatly in Hongkong of recent years." This
argument could hardly affect the
effect of the figures, but whether or not,
it does not seem an untenable position to
take up. If the cost of necessities has
been increasing, as we have been told is
the fact, then the poor Chinese must be
poorer, for though some employers complain
that the cost of labour has also gone up, it
has not risen proportionately. There are still
gangs of labourers doing a day's work for

and thirty cents—much less than a penny
an hour; and rents, even of cubicles, are
high when considered in the light of how
much can be spared from daily pittance
like that. However, we are not concerned
to prove that one theory is better than
another, but to look fairly at admitted facts.
It is admitted that too many Chinese
corpses are left lying about the streets, and
the Government wants to deal with that
evil. So far the only tangible suggestion
has been to cremate all such bodies; and
the Government, "as at present advised,"
does not propose to adopt cremation. It is
satisfied that the Sanitary Board's plague
measures have had nothing to do with
encouraging the practice of "dumping." It
does not seem, "as at present advised,"
to have any idea of its own what to do, and
appeals to the Board for fresh suggestions.
The returns submitted by the REGISTRAR
GENERAL prove nothing. The PRESIDENT
remarked, "if figures prove anything, that
proves that the byelaws have been effective." In that case, then, figures
do not prove anything, for as in India,
so in Hongkong, plague arguments and
decreases indifferent to what the Sanitary
Authorities may do. Statistics are like
some Chinese witnesses: they can be got to
say anything. The experiments of the
Sanitary authorities have caused a great
deal of useless and unnecessary trouble
and inconvenience, and apart from the
allegations as to the inconsiderate ways
and general misbehaviour of its under-
strappers, it needs no wizardry to see that
the poor Chinese must regard their intru-
sions unfavourably. Foreigners sometimes
get an inkling of what it must mean. In
one case a gang of automatic disinfectors
took charge of a room occupied by a contact
harshly disregarded the reasonable require-
ments of the said contact, and damaged
property, and never went near the room
where the original patient must have left
any infection he was likely to leave. That
was last year, and the same disease is more
rampant than ever. But even if the
Sanitary Board were to be abolished, and
all its experts deported, there would still
be "dumping." The Government is so
advised. It wants to stop it; it won't try
cremation; then what is it going to do?
Meanwhile the Sanitary Board, by adopting
the Registrar's three resolutions, has per-
formed the amusing feat of passing a vote
of censure on itself, and by implication,
on its expert advisers. We can approve
the proposed revision of sanitary measures,
but who is going to revise them? The
experts cannot be trusted, but then neither
can the landlords. It is no good to plunge
from one extreme to another.

The address from the Community to H. E.
Sir Matthew Nathan will be sent to London by
the next mail; the address will be on exhibi-
tion at Messrs Kelly & Walsh's, on Friday-
17th May.

The King has been pleased to give and grant
unto Sir Robert Hart, Bart., G.C.M.G.,
His Majesty's Royal licence and authority
that he may accept and wear the Grand
Cordon of the Order of St. Anne conferred
upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of
Russia, in recognition of services rendered
by him as Inspector-General of the Chinese
Imperial Maritime Customs.

The Russian peasant deputies of the Duma,
it is said, are writing regularly to their consti-
tuents, assuring them that the nation can hope
nothing from the present Government, and
must therefore prepare to struggle for land and
liberty. A number of members are absent from
the Duma, and only two-thirds frequent even
those sittings at which vital questions are being
debated. All the deputies call regularly for
their salary, and many have purchased patent-
leather boots and watches, which do not har-
monise with their other articles of wear, but
monopolise their attention.

Deputy Inspector-General William Tai, who
has just been appointed to Hongkong Yard, is
a distinguished member of the faculty. He
entered the medical branch of the service in
October, 1879, was promoted Staff Surgeon in
1891, Fleet Surgeon in 1895, and he was
appointed a Deputy Inspector-General of
hospitals and fleets in October last. In addition
to being an authority on professional matters,
particularly on tropical diseases, he was surgeon
of the battleship *Temeraire* during the
Egyptian War, 1882 (Egyptian medal and
Khedive's bronze star).

The Constantinople correspondent of the
Pall Mall Gazette states:—The Sublime Porte
is probably the one great capital in the world
where Japan is not represented by a duly
accredited Embassy, and she is now engaged
in negotiations for filling in the void.
Her ambassadors in Vienna and London are
entrusted with this mission, and they are in
communication with Musurus Pasha, the
Ottoman Ambassador in London, the reason for
this being that Japanese subjects and interests
in the Turkish Empire are at present under the
protection of the British Ambassador in
Constantinople. The principal obstacle comes
from the opposition of Russia, whose objections
to finding her adversary of the Far East
confronting her also on the Bosphorus are at
least intelligible. Nevertheless, it is hoped that
the negotiations may have a satisfactory issue.
Japan, however, will tolerate no half measures.
She has given it to be plainly understood that
she will consent to nothing less than that her
representative and her subjects shall stand upon
precisely the same footing as those of all other
Great Powers.

At the parish church of St. Margaret, Fern-
hurst, the marriage took place on April 4th
of Miss Jean Keswick, eldest daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. James Keswick, of Verdley-place, Fern-
hurst, and of Miss, Kirkendallbright, N.B.,
and Mr. Norman D. R. McEwen, of the Argyll
and Sutherland Highlanders, only son of Mr.
and Mrs. A. P. MacEwen, of the Grove,
Hollington, Sussex. After the marriage a
reception was held at Verdley-place, where a
large number of guests assembled, amongst
them being:—Mr. and Mrs. Addis, Lady Alabaster
and the Misses Alabaster, Mrs. Bell and
Miss Bell, Mr. and Mrs. John Bell-Irving, Sir
Ewen and Lady Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. A.
Cameron, the Rev. Canon Duckworth, Mr. and
Mrs. A. P. MacEwen, Sir W. and Lady
Goodman and Miss Goodman, Colonel and
Mrs. Glennie, Sir Thomas and Lady Jackson
and the Misses Jackson, Captain and
Mrs. Jackson, Mr. W. Keswick, M.P.,
and Mrs. Keswick, the Misses Keswick,
the Misses Keswick (Lockerie), Mrs. John
Keswick, Sir P. and Lady Manson, Mr. and
Mrs. W. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Peterson,
Mr. and Miss Stringer, Sir Thomas and Lady
Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. Townsend and Miss
Townsend, Sir W. des Voeux and Lady des
Voeux, Miss des Voeux, &c.

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The new British Consul at Chemulpo is Mr.
Arthur Hyde Lay.

American trusts are now taking over the
London music hall profession.

The French Mail of the 16th April was
delivered in London on the 13th instant.

Doris's successor at Lion City is an
Australian called Wilbur Glenn Voliva, and his
actions so far stamp him a worthy follower.

Mr. Smeaton M.P., anxious to know if any
British interests had been jeopardised by the
Franco-Siamese treaty, was scolded by Sir E.
Grey.

Mr. Denkin, the Premier, says that Australians
are not tired of Federation, but they have been
disappointed by the legislation of the Federal
Government.

Mr. Harry English Fulford, C.M.G., goes to
Mukden as Consul-General for Shengking,
Kirin and Heilungkiang—the three "Chih-
tung" provinces of Manchuria.

Mr. W. S. Jackson, secretary of the Yangtze
Insurance Association, took an excellent photo-
graph of the wrecked s.s. *Dakota*, and sent it
to the *Daily Graphic* which reproduced it on
April 11th.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial
and Affiliated Hospitals acknowledges, with
thanks, the following donations to the funds of
the Hospitals:—
Chung Hing Theatre ... 825.00
Po Hing Theatre ... 12.50

As a Chinese student was returning to his
residence in Connaught Road on Tuesday, he
observed a stranger departing with his blanket,
and overtaking him gave him in charge. Before
Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court
yesterday the defendant was charged with the
larceny of the article, and sentenced to three
weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

An arts exhibition which ought to attract
many visitors was opened yesterday at 37,
Queen's Road Central, where a beautiful col-
lection of paintings, sculptures, carvings, tapestry,
etc., is on view. A nominal fee is charged, the
proceeds from which will be devoted to the
educational funds of the Canton Nam Kwong
Public College, under whose auspices the
exhibition is held.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

SLUMP IN RAILS.

*LONDON, May 14th.

There has been a heavy fall in the
quotations of nearly all railway stocks.

INDIAN DISORDERS SERIOUS.

*LONDON, May 14th.

Agitators are reported active at
Allahabad.

Mr. Morley declares that the
disorder in India has become very
serious, and that strong action is
necessary.

["Received yesterday, and published in our
mid-day Extra."]

LONDON, May 15th.

Serious riots have occurred at
Delhi, and numerous arrests have been
made.

In connection with the Rawal Pindi
trouble, Mr. Morley's firmness is
cowering the agitators.

CANADA-AUSTRALIAN MAIL
SERVICE.

LONDON, May 15th.

The Imperial Conference has re-
solved in favour of the Canada-
Australian mail service.

THE AUSTRIAN ELECTIONS.

LONDON, May 15th.

The Austrian elections are favour-
ing the socialists.

"WEST KENT" TRAGEDY AT
SINGAPORE.

SINGAPORE, May 15th.

Drummer Sandwell of the Royal
West Kent Regiment stabbed Cor-
porals Harley and Newall yesterday.

Corporal Harley is dead. As no
motive for the crime can be guessed
at, it is assumed that Drummer
Sandwell must have gone mad.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN.

LONDON, May 13th.

Yesterday evening President Roosevelt
gave a banquet to Baron Kuraki and the
Duke of Abruzzi. The banquet was one of
the most brilliant functions ever given in
the White House.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, May 13th.

The Grand Duke Nicholas of Russia has
married the divorced wife of the Duke of
Leuchtenberg, sister to the Queen of Italy.

THE ARRIVAL OF LORD CROMER
IN LONDON.

LONDON, May 13th.

A large and distinguished throng was
assembled at Victoria station to welcome
Lord Cromer on his arrival. The Prince of
Wales advanced, bareheaded, and shook
hands warmly with the retiring Agent and
Consul General in Egypt; three hearty cheers
were then given, and Lord Cromer shook
hands with the Duke of Connaught, Prince
Arthur of Connaught, Sir Henry Campbell-
Bannerman, Sir Edward Grey, Lord
Lansdowne, and Lord Roberts. When the
carriage containing Lord Cromer emerged
from the station, hearty cheers were again
given, and Lord Cromer was driven to
Buckingham Palace. Lord Cromer appears
to have benefited by the voyage from Egypt.

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

We are officially informed that the Hon. Mr.
H. H. J. Gompertz has been appointed First
Police magistrate, in succession to Mr. T.
Sercombe Smith. Mr. C. Clementi succeeds the
latter gentleman in the position of Assistant
Colonial Secretary, and Mr. F. C. Figg has
been appointed Director of the Observatory on
the retirement of Dr. W. Dobereck.

Every reform or great educational movement
began, in the first instance, with the novel
theory of some one person, whose work has often
lived while his name is forgotten.

It is not uncommon to see old people who
desire no mental companionship. They are
the hermits of the intellectual world. They
live on affectionate terms with a large circle of
acquaintances who do not understand them in
the least. Their true intimates are their books,
and if they confide it is upon paper.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, May 15th.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR
FRANCIS PIGOTT).

AN INDEMNITY CLAIM.

Lam Sin Chang and She Wai Chung brought
an action against Yik Tong to recover \$13,581.94
being money paid by plaintiffs as sureties for
defendant on 5th May, 1905, on a promissory
note dated 5th August, 1904, and made by
the plaintiffs and defendant and one Ho Li
Cho, in favour of the International Banking
Corporation, and as to \$748.60, money paid,
and in the alternative Lam Sin Chang claims
the sum of \$13,581.94 under a deed of indemn-
ity, dated 22nd September, 1905, made between
Lam Sin Chang and the defendant.

Mr. M. W. Slade, (instructed by Mr.
Wilkinson, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist),
appeared for plaintiffs, and Hon. Mr. H. E.
Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Dixon, of
Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, appeared for
the defendant.

Mr. Slade read the statement of claim which
set out that Lam Sin Chang was a gentleman
residing in Macao and She Wai Chung was a
merchant carrying on business in partner-
ship with Lam Sin Chang under the style
of the Cheung Yu Hong at 61, Bonham
Strand West, Victoria. The defendant
was a gentleman residing in Macao.
Lam Sin Chang, on 21st August 1904, at the
request of the defendant became surety together
with the defendant to one Ho Li Cho as com-
pradors of the Chinese American Com-
mercial Company, and on the 22nd September
1905, the defendant executed a deed of
indemnity whereby the defendant indemnified
the plaintiff Lam Sin Chang so long as he
remained one of the sureties of the said Ho
Li Cho against all losses and charges which
Lam Sin Chang might incur or suffer by
reason of his becoming one of the sureties for
Ho Li Cho. The plaintiff Lam Sin Chang
and the defendant continued to be at all
material times sureties of the said Ho Li Cho.
In the months of July and August 1904, the
said Chinese American Commercial Company
had a quantity of goods in the possession of
the International Banking Corporation as their
agents. The goods had not been taken up in
due course by the purchasers, and Ho Li Cho,
as compradore of the said Company, had the
duty of reselling the goods for and on behalf
of the said Company, and was responsible
for all losses which might accrue on
the resale. The Company agreed with Ho
Li Cho to give him possession of the goods for
re-sale and to accept \$43,250 in settlement of
claims in respect thereof, and further to accept
promissory notes, satisfactory to the said
Banking Corporation for that amount. The
defendant thereupon requested the plaintiff
Lam Sin Chang to give or procure such
security, representing to the said Lam Sin
Chang that he would be quite safe in so doing
by reason of the deed of indemnity. Relying
upon these representations and upon the deed
of indemnity and the agreement mentioned in
the next paragraph, Lam Sin Chang procured
his partner She Wai Chung, to join with him
and the defendant in giving security to the
Banking Corporation by making with Ho Li
Cho the three joint promissory notes for
\$14,416.67, each dated 5th August, 1904, and
payable three, six, and nine months respec-
tively after the said date. On these notes being
made, the Banking Corporation gave Ho Li
Cho possession of the goods. Prior to
making the notes it was agreed between the
plaintiffs and the defendant that as
between themselves in the event of Ho Li
Cho failing to pay the said amounts on the
due dates the defendant would repay to the
plaintiffs any amounts they might have to pay
to the Banking Corporation. The Cheung Yu
Hong paid the notes on the due dates and
received the amount of the first note and \$2,000
from Ho Li Cho, and \$14,000 from the defendant,
leaving a sum of \$12,533.33 due by defendant
to plaintiffs. On the 25th April, 1905, the
plaintiffs, at the request of the defendant, took
action against Ho Li Cho to recover the
amount of the second of the notes less the
\$2,000 paid as aforesaid by Ho Li Cho. Plain-
tiffs obtained judgment in that action. The
net expenses of the action paid by plaintiffs
amounted to \$748.60.

The Chief Justice—The judgment resulted
in nothing?
Mr. Slade—Quite so. The man had absconded.
Proceeding, he read—The plaintiffs have re-
quested payment of the said sum of \$12,533.33
and \$748.60, but the defendant had refused to
pay the same or any part thereof. They there-
fore claimed those amounts now.
The statement of defence showed that the
defendant admits the first three paragraphs of
the claim. As to paragraph four, at the time
of making the promissory notes the Chinese
American Commercial Company had ceased to
carry on business in this Colony, and the defen-
dant had therefore ceased to be liable as surety
under contract or deed of indemnity. The
defendant admits the first part of paragraph
five, but denies that Ho Li Cho had the duty of
reselling the goods or was responsible to the
company as alleged. The godown warrants
were in the hands of the International Banking
Corporation, who as agents for the said company
sold the goods to Ho Li Cho and took as pay-
ment therefor the promissory notes. The
defendant denies that he requested Lam Sin
Chang to give or procure such security as
the representation set out in paragraph seven,
or on any other representation whatever.
The defendant admits that the plaintiff
joined with him in making the promissory
notes but denies that the plaintiffs or either
of them relied on any such representation or

agreement, or that any such representation
or agreement was mentioned in paragraphs
eight and nine of the statement of claim
ever made. The defendant admits that the
Cheung Yu Hong has paid the notes, and
has been repaid the amounts set forth in
paragraph 10, but he denies that the sum of
\$12,533.33 or any other sum is due by him
to the plaintiffs. At the time of making the
promissory notes, and as a condition prece-
dent to making them it was agreed that the
Cheung Yu Hong should hold the godown
warrants which the Bank had given up on
the delivery to it of the promissory notes,
and that the said warrants should not be
handed over to Ho Li Cho until he had
paid the price of goods mentioned in
the said warrants to the said Cheung Yu
Hong, and thereby enabled the said firm to pay
the notes as they became due. The Cheung
Yu Hong failed to carry out the agreement
mentioned in the last paragraph, but without
the knowledge and consent of the defendant,
and contrary to the terms of the said agree-
ment, handed over the warrants to Ho Li Cho
who got possession of the said goods without
paying the price to the Cheung Yu Hong.
By reason of the facts set out in paragraphs
eight and nine the plaintiffs' firm are
solely responsible for any loss incurred through
the non-payment of the said promissory notes
by Ho Li Cho. By reason of the failure
of the plaintiffs to carry out the agreement the
plaintiffs did not receive the money from
Ho Li Cho to enable them to pay the promissory
notes as they became due, and thereupon the
defendant paid the plaintiffs \$14,000 to
enable them to do so. The defendant, on
account of the facts set forth, has sustained
the loss of \$14,000, and craves leave to counter-
claim against the plaintiffs for that amount.
The defendant denies that he ever asked the
plaintiffs or either of them to take action
against Ho Li Cho, as alleged. The fourth
section of the Statute of Frauds has not been
complied with.

Plaintiff in the counter claim repeated the
last five paragraphs in the above statement of
defendant.

The defendants in the cross-action denied
that any agreement was ever entered
into that they should hold the godown
warrants and not hand them over to
Ho Li Cho until he paid the price of the goods.
On the 13th August, 1904, Ho Li Cho handed
the warrants to the plaintiff She Wai Chung,
with a request that the firm of Cheung Yu
Hong would endeavour to sell the goods on
commission. Thirty-six warrants were returned
to Ho Li Cho, and the goods mentioned in the
remaining seven warrants were sold by public
auction at the request of the defendant in the
first case, and the net proceeds applied to
reducing the claim against the defendant, in
respect of the action mentioned in paragraph
11 of the statement of claim. Ho Li Cho has
run away.

Evidence was called, and the case adjourned.

MARINE COURT.

Wednesday, May 15th.

BEFORE COMMANDER BASIL R. H. TAYLOR,
R.N. (MARINE MAGISTRATE).

"NOT PLYING FOR HIRE."

P.C. Uwin proceeded against Messrs. Black-
head & Co., being the owners of the motor
launch *Gusie*, for having allowed that launch
to ply without having on board a master holding
either a certificate of qualification recognised by
the Board of Trade, or a certificate of competency
from the Harbour Master of Hongkong, at 11.20
a.m., on the 10th instant, in the waters of the
Colony.

Mr. H. W. Looker appeared for defendants.
P.C. Uwin deposed to stopping the launch on
the day in question and asking the owner for
his certificate, he replied that he had no cer-
tificate, but an engineer's certificate.
Witness asked him to produce it, but he replied
"my master has it."

Mr. Looker argued that the word plying meant
plying for hire, and asserted that there was no
evidence of the *Gusie* having plied for hire.

His Worship, who said it was admitted that
the launch was not plying for hire, reserved his
decision.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE
ASSOCIATION.

The following are the highest scores made at
the pool shooting at 200 yards at the Peak
Range on 4th and 5th inst.:

Capt. B. Branch	51 + 19	70
Mr. W. J. J. Gast	51 + 16	67
Capt. A. W. Dixon	51 + 12	63
Mr. L. G. Bird	58 + 4	62
Mr. W. L. Carter	50 + 8	58
Mr. H. W. Bird	51 + 6	57
Mr. E. S. Carruthers	51 + 6	57
Mr. G. Badcock	37 + 2	57
Mr. A. Blowsy	50 + 6	56

There were 49 entries.

The highest scores made at the pool shooting
at King's Park Range at 200 yards on the 11th
and 12th inst. are as follows:—

Mr. E. S. Carruthers	63 + 6	69
Mr. W. J. J. Gast	52 + 16	68
Mr. L. G. Bird	64 + 3	67
Mr. R. Baker	62 + 4	66
Mr. J. C. Peter	60 + 6	66
Mr. J. McInnes	54 + 12	66
Mr. W. J. Saunders	57 + 8	65
Mr. E. G. Jordan	49 + 16	65
The Hon. Mr. F. H. May	58 + 6	64
Mr. J. H. Pidgeon	63 scr.	63
Mr. S. E. Green	60 + 2	62
Mr. A. Blowsy	55 + 6	61
Mr. A. Elchoe	47 + 14	61
Mr. A. MacKenzie	54 + 6	60
Mr. H. W. Bird	54 + 6	60

There were 52 entries.

In future Chinese subsidiary coins cannot be
accepted in payment for entries and ammunition
owing to the loss sustained in changing them
into currency.

REVIEWS.

Signs and Portents in the Far East. by
EVERARD COTES. London: Methuen & Co.
7s. 6d.

These graphic letters, of the travel impressions of an Anglo-Indian journalist, we remember to have read before, in the columns of one of the leading Indian journals. They struck us then as being agreeable exceptions to the average writings of the type, and we were glad to renew acquaintance with them in this handsome volume, embellished with thirty-five good illustrations. The style is graphic, vigorous and pleasant, the matter on the whole sound, and becomes an observer with the trained intelligence of his class. Mr. Cotea makes too much of the cousinship of China and Japan, as many do; but after all, none of us can profess to set bounds to the ultimate influence of the Japanese in China. He admires the Chinese in British territory, for what they have done and are doing, and then has a look in at Canton, not omitting Macao, and a sentence for inglorious delators and a nest

gambling houses. Hongkong's prosper...

depends upon the fact that it is the nearest deep-water harbour to Canton, "the Cantonese is the 'Bengali of China,' quick-witted than other Chinese, but 'less to be relied upon.'" After glancing at the anti-foreign movement, somewhat exaggerated for him, Cotes takes the missionary. He approves him, and is sorry to find he has detractors; declares he is "preaching a higher morality than that which exists around them," "sharing the common confusion of morality" in religion. He denounces the Catholic missionaries' secular pretensions, not strong enough, by the way, and gives a good account of the Nanchang trouble. Hankow and factories require a chapter which was largely reproduced last year in our columns, and we have railway travelling and description of Peking, Port Arthur, and places in Manchuria and Korea and Japan receive ample attention. If the author dogmatizes on short acquaintance with "the Japanese character," it is new or original sin. He was told that position of the English trader in Japan compares "to that of the outsider in Johanneburg before the Transvaal war." To wind up, he has "the outlook" as Mr. Cotes sees it, an unfortunate illustration based on the treatment by the Cantonese of the suppliant image of Merce Polo in the temple of the

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A. GEBIUS. Batavia: G. Koff and
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Her Father's Soul, by LUCAS CLEVER

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REVIEW OF VALUABLE WORK.

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TRADE AND FACTS
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The REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 22nd inst., to THURSDAY, the 24th inst., both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares will be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. 928

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. 1

THE TRADE-MARKS ORDINANCE

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APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF A TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KWONG TAI PO of No. 15, Wan Street, New Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, Trader carrying on business under the Style of NO SHING CHEUNG CHU KU has on the 15th day of February, 1917, applied for the Registration in Hongkong of the following

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OSWALD D. THOMSON, Solicitors for the Applicant. 590

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The proposed Bill will appear in the next issue of the Government Gazette.

Dated the 13th day of May, 1917.

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UNDER the auspices of the Canton Nam Kung Public College, there will be Opened to the Public at 37, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, (three doors above Supreme Court), from 15th May, 1917, a Grand Exhibition of

exclusive Art Treasures comprising:—PAINTINGS, SCULPTURES, CARVINGS, TAPESTRIES, ARTISTIC MARBLE and BRONZE, BUSTS and STATUARY, ANCIENT ARMOUR and IMPLEMENTS OF WAR, FRENCH and VENETIAN WARRELS, beautiful articles of decorative furniture, including a bedroom suite in Crystal and a handsome Roman Chair from the Vatican, rare curios, bric-a-brac, bronzes and other specimens of Vertu collected by connoisseurs in Art from many parts of the world to the order of the exhibitors.

A nominal fee of FIFTY CENTS will be charged for admission, the net proceeds of which will be devoted to the educational funds of the Canton Nam Kung Public College.

Doors Open 10 A.M. to 1 P.M., 2 to 5 P.M., 7 to 10 P.M.

Tickets may be had at Entrance.

T. H. TAI, Manager. Hongkong, 14th May, 1917. 916

REGULAR HONGKONG-CANTON LINE OF STEAMERS.

COMPAGNIE FRANCAISE DES LINES ET DE L'EXTRÊME ORIENT.

S.S. "PAUL BEAU," 1,900 tons, 14 knots. S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUIN," 1,900 tons, 14 knots.

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Departure from Hongkong at 9.30 P.M. (Saturdays Excepted).

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The Company's Wharf is at the end of Wing Lok Street (tram station).

For further particulars, please apply to E. PASQUET & CO., Canton Agents. BARRIET & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 1st April, 1917. 683

MAIL TABLES FOR 1917.

Shows the dates of departure of the Mails to Europe and America, and the dates of their expected arrival at their destinations, as well as the dates of return Mails.

Mounted on Card ... 30 Cents

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On Sale at the Hongkong Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 26th January, 1917.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

LOST.

TWO CERTIFICATES of 50 Shares each standing in the Register of this Company in the name of FUNG MING SHAN have been

LOST.

Scrip No. 561—49851/49900—50 Shares. "562—49901/49950—50 "

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Duplicate Certificates for the said 100 Shares will be issued one month hence, and that the Original Certificates, unless produced within that period, will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 1st May, 1917. 861

THE BOWLING CLUB LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Club will be held on WEDNESDAY, 22nd inst., at 5.15 p.m., on the Club Premises, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1916.

By Order, E. G. JORDAN, Secretary. Hongkong, 15th May, 1917. 925

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 31st day of May, 1917, at Noon for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, of passing the following Resolutions:—

1. That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the Shareholders of the Company to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to the Ordinance under which the Company is incorporated and carrying on business so as to alter the capital of the Company being from time to time increased from ten millions of dollars to twenty millions of dollars and also for extending the period of the operation of such Ordinance for a further period of 21 years from and including the 14th day of August, 1916, and for continuing all the provisions of Section 3 of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ordinance of 1879 in full force and effect on and after the 14th day of August, 1916.

2. That from the date of such new Ordinance coming into operation and becoming effective the Capital of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be increased from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 by the creation of 40,000 New Shares of \$125 each to be issued at the price of \$30 on the terms after mentioned.

Shareholders on the Eastern Registry to pay for their allotments at the rate of Exchange for the Company's demand Bills on London on the day the instalments are due.

3. That the said New Shares be in the first instance, in such manner as the Directors shall prescribe for that purpose, offered to Shareholders in the proportion of one New Share for every two shares of which on the 31st day of May, 1917, Shareholders shall respectively be the Registered Holders, and that any New Shares not accepted by the Shareholders within the time limited by the Directors for that purpose, be disposed of and allotted by the Directors in such manner and at such prices as in their discretion they shall think best in the interests of the Company.

4. That the payment of the sum of £30 per Share for each of the said New Shares be made as follows, viz:—

1st instalment of £15 on the 1st day of July, 1917.

2nd and final instalment of £15 on the 1st day of October, 1917.

5. That the Directors issue to Shareholders holding shares not a multiple of two, a fractional certificate in respect of each share in excess of or below the multiple and allot one New Share to every person who shall present two such Fractional Certificates on or before the 1st day of July, 1917, and pay the first instalment in respect thereof.

6. That after payment of the first instalment and pending payment of the remaining instalment, Scrip Certificates in such form as the Directors may determine be issued in respect of such New Shares entitling the holders on payment of the remaining instalment, and subject to such other terms as to approval, date for lodging scrip certificates and otherwise as the Directors may prescribe, to be registered as the owners of the Shares respectively represented by such Scrip Certificates.

7. That interest at the rate of 5 per centum per annum be allowed out of the profits of the Company on instalments paid in advance of the date when the same become due, and that registered holders of Scrip Certificates for New Shares be entitled in respect of such New Shares to participate in future dividends on an equality with the old shares, in proportion to the instalments paid up, and from due dates for payment of same.

8. That interest at the rate of 8 per centum per annum be charged on each instalment not punctually paid, and be paid with each such instalment.

9. That all moneys received from premium on the said New Shares be added to the Reserve Funds.

For THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 30th April, 1917. 853

IRON MERCHANTS.

E. HING & Co.

DEALERS in Iron, Steel, Metals, Hard-ware, Muntz Metal, Steel Boiler and Ship Plates, Pig-Iron, Coke and General Merchants. No. 25, Wing Lok Street (Lane from 171, Queen's Road to 168, Des Vaux Road Central) Telephone No. 613. Hongkong, 1st March, 1917. 473

PUBLIC COMPANY

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Vaux Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 25th day of May, 1917, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the period from 19th October, 1916, to 31st April, 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd to the 31st May, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 15th May, 1917. 921

AUCTIONS

C. DE M. C. VIEIRA, RIBEIRO, Auctioneer.

FAVOURED with instructions, will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION (TUESDAY), the 16th May, 1917, at 2.30 p.m., at his SALES Room, No. 8, Queen's Road Central, FURNITURE of Every Description, BLACKWOOD STANDS, CHAIRS, etc., MISCELLANEOUS GOODS:

Also 25 Cases BEER and 21 Cases STOUT. TERMS—As usual. Hongkong, 15th May, 1917. 922

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BANKRUPTCY No. 20 of 1917, re LONG HING & Co.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Receiver and Trustee, to sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 17th May, 1917, at Noon, at No. 17, Queen's Road Central, The GOODWILL, STOCK-IN-TRADE, FURNITURE, FIXTURES and BOOK DEBTS of the above named Firm.

TERMS—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 13th May, 1917. 909

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 17th May, 1917, at 5.30 p.m., at Ah King's Slipway, Wanchai, The Racing Yacht "SPEITE" (Late of Royal Hongkong Yacht Club—Oas Class).

Winner of this Season's Royal Hongkong Yacht Club Commodore's Cup and Yachting Commodore's Cup, and having 30 points in the Races of the Club Cup, this being the highest record. She is in Splendid Condition and has two Suits of Sails, &c., &c.

TERMS—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 15th May, 1917. 923

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, On WEDNESDAY, AND THURSDAY, the 22nd and 23rd May, 1917, at 10 A.M., each day, at H.M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDRY CONDEMNED NAVAL AND OLD SURPLUS VICTUALLING STORES.

Comprising—

CONDEMNED NAVAL STORES—IRON and WOOD BLOCKS, HOLES, METAL FITTINGS, LAMPS, TUBES, FILES, BOILERS, OLD IRON and METAL, ELECTRIC CABLE, CANVAS RAGS, COAL SACKS, OLD INDIA RUBBER, OLD BOATS, FURNITURE, CARPETS, PAPERSTUFF, &c.

OLD AND SURPLUS VICTUALLING STORES—BISCUITS, BEDDING, JACKETS, KNIFE BOOTS, JERSEYS, BLANKETS, TOBACCO, MEAT TRAPS, &c.

Catalogues will be issued. TERMS OF SALE—As Customary. HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 9th May, 1917. 882

PUBLIC AUCTION.

O. J. No. 120 of 1916.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. H. PEACOCK SMITH, THE RECEIVER, to sell by Public Auction, On SATURDAY, the 25th May, 1917, at 11 A.M., on board at Causeway Bay, (as she now lies), The Steam Launch "HUNG YICK."

Built of Teakwood in 1901.

Length 79 feet.

Breadth 14ft. 4in.

Depth 8ft. 4in.

Gross Tonnage 66.53

Net 35.96

Licensed to carry 98 passengers inside the Harbour, and 24 outside the Colony.

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A Steam launch will leave BLAKE PIEN at 10.45 A.M. to convey intending purchasers.

TERMS—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 10th May, 1917. 902

ON SALE.

A TABLE OF THE RATES OF EXCHANGE AT HONGKONG

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FROM 1893 TO 1915;

ALSO RATES FOR SOVEREIGNS, GOLD LEAF, BAR SILVER (From 1909), and other Useful Information.

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JARDINE, MATHISON & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 3rd January, 1917. 137

TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNUTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON. Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 1st May, 1917. 192

TO LET.

NO. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD. Apply to—

COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT, Nippon Yusen Kaisha. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1917. 197

TO LET.

OFFICES in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS. Apply to—

SECRETARY, A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited. Hongkong, 23rd April, 1917. 800

TO LET.

OFFICES No. 6, ICE HOUSE STREET, Centrally situated and within easy reach of the principal Banks and business houses. Apply on the premises to—

TATA & CO. Hongkong, 24th December, 1916. 105

TO LET.

"DARTMOUTH" CONDUIT ROAD. TO LET.

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PERCY SMITH & SETH, 5, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 6th May, 1917. 880

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ONE OFFICE ROOM on Second Floor PRINCE'S BUILDINGS. Apply to—

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WITH POSSESSION FROM 1st JUNE—IN WANCHAI ROAD, GOWDOWN, built of brick, with tiled roof, just thoroughly repaired, about 4000 square feet, concrete flooring. Suitable for storage of any kind of merchandise.

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